GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Laundries for Washing Bedrolls
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Railways has taken steps to set up state-of-the-art mechanised laundries at many stations to cater to the increased requirement of daily washing of bedrolls;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that the existing laundries of the Railways are flooded with bedrolls, etc. for washing due to lack of manpower and infrastructure to meet the demand; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDPENDENT CHARGE)
OF THE MINSITRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b): Indian Railways always endeavor to provide properly washed and cleaned linen to its passengers. With a view to further improve upon the standards of cleanliness and hygiene in the linen supplied to passengers in trains, mechanized laundries at 44 locations have been set up. These laundries also take care of the increasing requirements of daily washing of bed rolls to the extent of available capacity.
(c) & (d): No, Madam. The bedroll washing is done as per the capacity of respective laundries. To meet the additional requirement of washing of bedrolls beyond the capacity of the laundry, the same is outsourced to private laundries.
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